

Dear

**Re: Freedom of Information Act 2000
Special Allocation Scheme for Violent Patients**

Thank you for your information request indicated in bold below, which has now been considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 by NHS Cheshire & Merseyside Integrated Care Board (ICB). I am able to provide you with the following information and responses.

Your Request:

How many applications were made by GP practices in your area to the Special Allocation Scheme for violent patients in each of the following years:

2016-17

2017-18

2018-19

2019-20

2020-21

2021-22

2022-23

For each of the years, how many of these applications were:

a) Accepted

b) Rejected

Our Response:

Please find listed below the information held regarding applications made by GP Practices to the Special Allocation Scheme (SAS) in each of the former CCG areas that now make up NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB:

Cheshire

Year	Applications to SAS	Accepted	Rejected
2017	21	21	0
2018	30	30	0
2019	28	28	0
2020	28	28	0
2021	25	25	0
2022	29	29	0
2023	14	14	0

Halton

Information not held for former NHS Halton CCG area. You may wish to redirect your request for this information to Primary Care Support England who can be contacted via: <https://pcse.england.nhs.uk/contact-us/>

Knowsley

Information not held. Details of patients allocated to and currently registered with the Knowsley Special Allocation Scheme Provider are held centrally by Primary Care Support England. You may wish to redirect your request for this information to Primary Care Support England who can be contacted via: <https://pcse.england.nhs.uk/contact-us/>

Liverpool

Information not held for former NHS Liverpool CCG area. You may wish to redirect your request for this information to Primary Care Support England who can be contacted via: <https://pcse.england.nhs.uk/contact-us/>

Sefton

Year	Applications to SAS	Accepted	Rejected
2020/21	13	13	0
2021/22	16	16	0
2022/23	10	10	0

Information not held for former NHS South Sefton CCG/NHS Southport & Formby CCG areas during financial years 2016/17 to 2019/20 as Primary Care commissioning not delegated until 2020/21. You may wish to redirect your request for this information for the 2016/17 to 2019/20 financial years to Primary Care Support England who can be contacted via: <https://pcse.england.nhs.uk/contact-us/>

St Helens

Year	Applications to SAS	Accepted	Rejected
2016/17	0	0	0
2017/18	0	0	0
2018/19	2	2	0
2019/20	5	5	0
2020/21	3	3	0
2021/22	7	7	0
2022/23	3	3	0

Warrington

Information not held for former NHS Warrington CCG area. You may wish to redirect your request for this information to Primary Care Support England who can be contacted via: <https://pcse.england.nhs.uk/contact-us/>

Wirral

Information not held for former NHS Wirral CCG area. You may wish to redirect your request for this information to Primary Care Support England who can be contacted via: <https://pcse.england.nhs.uk/contact-us/>

Should you require any further information or clarification regarding this response or do not feel that your request has been answered as you would expect, please contact us to discuss.

We also wish to take this opportunity to inform you that, where you are not satisfied with the response to your request for information, a formal complaints and internal review process is available.

This can be formally requested by emailing foi@cheshireandmerseyside.nhs.uk and must be done within a reasonable time period (3 calendar months) from the date this response was issued.

Where you remain dissatisfied with our review under the Freedom of Information Act or the Environmental Information Regulations, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) for a review of your appeal decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our complaints procedure.

The ICO can be contacted at;

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF
www.ico.gov.uk

Should you need any further clarification or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us quoting the above FOI reference.